# Introduction to pandas

- The <u>Pandas package (http://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/index.html)</u> provids fast, flexible, and expressive data structures designed to make working with "relational" or "labeled" data both easy and intuitive.
- The main data structures provided by pandas is the Series and DataFrame, representing one- and two-dimensional tables
- The main differences between DataFrame and NumPy array include
  - Elements can have arbitrary types
  - Both rows and columns have explicit index, by number as well as by name
  - More flexible and complex ways to slice, index, change the table structure
  - Database type of table operations, group-by, aggaregate, join,
- Many functions are provided to work with DataFrame
  - Change structures
  - Update values
  - Statistics
  - Plot

```
In [ ]: %matplotlib inline
    from __future__ import division
    import os
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    plt.rc('figure', figsize=(10, 6))
    from numpy.random import randn
    import numpy as np
    np.random.seed(12345)
    np.set_printoptions(precision=4)
    from pandas import Series, DataFrame
    import pandas as pd
In [ ]: %pwd
```

# Main pandas Data Structures

## **Series**

- <u>Series (http://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/dsintro.html#series)</u> is a one-dimensional labeled array capable of holding any data type (integers, strings, floating point numbers, Python objects, etc.).
- A series can be created from a list, a dict, a NumPy array, etc.
- The axis labels are collectively referred to as the index.
- Elements are accessed by their indexes
  - both single element or range of elements
- Individual index cannot be changed, but the set of index can be replaced
  - default index is int from 0, 1, 2, ...

```
In [ ]: s1 = Series([4, 7, -5, 3])
s1
In [ ]: s1.values
```

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In [ ]: print(s1.index)
In [ ]: s1[2]
In [ ]: #s2 = Series([4, 7, -5, 3], index=['d', 'b', 'a', 'c'])
        s2.index=['d', 'b', 'a', 'c'] # change index object
In [ ]: s2.index
In [ ]: s2['a']
In [ ]: s2['d'] = 6
        s2[['c', 'a', 'd']]
In [ ]: | s2[s2 > 0] # get positive values
In [ ]: s2 * 2 # double all values
In [ ]: np.exp(s2) # exponential e to s2[x]
In [ ]: 'b' in s2 # check for an index
In [ ]: 'e' in s2
In [ ]: # Create a series from a dict
        sdata = {'Ohio': 35000, 'Texas': 71000, 'Oregon': 16000, 'Utah': 5000}
        s3 = Series(sdata)
In [ ]: states = ['California', 'Ohio', 'Oregon', 'Texas']
        s4 = Series(sdata, index=states) # change index object
In [ ]: # test for null values
        pd.isnull(s4)
In [ ]: pd.notnull(s4)
In [ ]: s4.isnull()
In [ ]: s3
In [ ]: s4
In [ ]: s3 + s4
In [ ]: # naming the index and the value
        s4.name = 'population'
        s4.index.name = 'state'
        s4
```

#### **DataFrame**

DataFrame is a 2-dimensional labeled data structure with columns of potentially different types. You can think of it like a spreadsheet or SQL table, or a dict of Series objects. It is generally the most commonly used pandas object.

Like Series, DataFrame accepts many different kinds of input:

- · Dict of 1D ndarrays, lists, dicts, or Series
- 2-D numpy.ndarray
- Structured or record ndarray
- A Series
- Another DataFrame

Along with the data, you can optionally pass index (row labels) and columns (column labels) arguments. If you pass an index and / or columns, you are guaranteeing the index and / or columns of the resulting DataFrame. Thus, a dict of Series plus a specific index will discard all data not matching up to the passed index.

#### **Create DataFrame**

- Basic way is to provide a dict to the DataFrame constructor
  - Keys are used to name columns
  - Values are used for fill the columns. So all values are better be lists of the same size
- Can copy from existing DataFrame
- Can also change the column's names, ordering, etc.

#### **Access Elements in a DataFrame**

- single element: df.loc[row, col]
- one or more column: df[col] or df.col, or df[[col1, col2, ..]]
- one or more row: df.loc[row] or df[[row1, row2,...]]
- single row or column is returned as a Series
- Access can be combined with assignment to change values

```
In [ ]: frame.loc[1, 'year']
In [ ]: frame[['pop', 'year']]
In [ ]: frame.year
In [ ]: frame.loc[1]
In [ ]: frame.loc[2, 3]]
```

## Change the Structure of a DataFrame

- Change index type
- Change ordering of the columns and rows
- Add new columns and rows with or without data values
- swap rows and columns, that is, transpose a table
- delete columns and rows

#### Be careful not to use columns as a name of a column

```
In [ ]: frame2.columns
In [ ]: # Column named "columns" is different from the attribute named columns
# So, do not name column using "columns", too confussing!
frame2['columns']
```

## Assign data values into a column

Can assign

- the same value for all rows
- · consecutive values for next row
- · specific values for selected rows
- value based values in other columns of the same row

```
In [ ]: # Assign the same value to every row in the one column
frame2['debt'] = 16.5
frame2
```

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In [ ]: # Assign consecutive values to consecutive rows
    frame2['debt'] = np.arange(5.)
    frame2
In [ ]: # Assign a set of values to a set of selected rows
    val = Series([-1.2, -1.5, -1.7], index=['two', 'four', 'five'])
    frame2['debt'] = val
    frame2
In [ ]: # Add a new column with logic values based on a test on another column
    frame2['eastern'] = frame2.state == 'Ohio'
    frame2
```

## Remove selected column

• use operator del

```
In [ ]: del frame2['eastern']
   del frame2['columns']
   print(frame2.columns)
   frame2
```

## Other ways to create DataFrames

```
In [ ]: # Use a nested dict
        pop = {'Nevada': {2001: 2.4, 2002: 2.9},
                'Ohio': {2000: 1.5, 2001: 1.7, 2002: 3.6}}
In [ ]: frame3 = DataFrame(pop)
        frame3
In [ ]: # Transpose a table
        frame3.T
In [ ]: # Selected a new set of rows, resulted in NaN values
        DataFrame(pop, index=[2001, 2002, 2003])
In [ ]: # Use a slice of data from a DataFrame to create a new DataFrame
        pdata = {'Ohio': frame3['Ohio'][:-1],
                  'Nevada': frame3['Nevada'][:2]}
        DataFrame(pdata)
In [ ]: # Assign names to index and columns
        frame3.index.name = 'year'; frame3.columns.name = 'state'
        frame3
```

## Get data values from a DataFrame into a NumPy array

```
In [ ]: frame3.values
```

```
In [ ]: frame2.values
```

## Index objects

- By default, index is a range starting at 0, but can also be other type objects.
- Index values cannot be changed.
- Can check index type or whether a specific value is in the index

```
In [ ]: obj = Series(range(3), index=['a', 'b', 'c'])
    index = obj.index
    index

In [ ]: index[1:]

In [ ]: # Index does not support mutable operations
    #index[1] = 'd'

In [ ]: index = pd.Index(np.arange(3))
    obj2 = Series([1.5, -2.5, 0], index=index)
    obj2.index is index

In [ ]: frame3

In [ ]: 'Ohio' in frame3.columns

In [ ]: 2003 in frame3.index
```

# **Essential Functionality**

Provided for both Series and DataFrame

## Reindexing

- Index is only for rows
- Once created, index does not change, but can be reassigned to a different index object
  - use index=
  - or use reindex() function
  - reindex() function can change both the index object and the columns object
- If the new index have more rows than existing rows, one can add new values to new rows
  - if nothing is done, NaN (also called a null value) will be added
  - can specify fill\_value
  - can specify fill method, such as ffill or bfill, for forward or backward fill values

```
In [ ]: obj = Series([4.5, 7.2, -5.3, 3.6], index=['d', 'b', 'a', 'c'])
obj

In [ ]: obj2 = obj.reindex(['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'])
obj2
```

```
In [ ]: # Can provide default data values for new rows
        obj.reindex(['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'], fill_value=0)
        obj3 = Series(['blue', 'purple', 'yellow'], index=[0, 2, 4])
In [ ]:
        obj3
In [ ]: obj3.reindex(range(6), method='ffill')
In [ ]: frame = DataFrame(np.arange(9).reshape((3, 3)), index=['a', 'c', 'd'],
                          columns=['Ohio', 'Texas', 'California'])
        frame
In [ ]: frame2 = frame.reindex(['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'])
In [ ]: states = ['California', 'Texas', 'Utah']
        frame.reindex(columns=states)
In [ ]:
        #frame.reindex(index=['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'], method='ffill',
                       columns=states)
In [ ]: frame.loc[['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'], states]
```

## Dropping entries from an axis

- Rows and/or columns can be dropped (removed from the table)
  - Use drop() function to drop rows and use drop(..., axis=1) to drop columns
- Notice drop() and many other functions do not change the original table, only a copy is producecd

## Indexing, selection, and filtering

- Data cells can be selected using row indexes, column names, or Boolean expression
- For Series, [..] refers rows
- For DataFrame, [..] refers columns, one has to use loc[[rows],[columns]] syntax to access specific rows and columns
  - Alternative syntax include ix[...] and iloc[...]

```
In [ ]: obj = Series(np.arange(4.), index=['a', 'b', 'c', 'd'])
         print(obj)
         print(obj['b'])
In [ ]: obj[1]
In []: obj[2:4]
In [ ]: obj[['b', 'a', 'd']]
In [ ]: obj[[1, 3]]
In [ ]: obj[obj < 2]</pre>
In [ ]: obj['b':'c']
In [ ]: obj['b':'c'] = 5
         obj
In [ ]: data = DataFrame(np.arange(16).reshape((4, 4)),
                           index=['Ohio', 'Colorado', 'Utah', 'New York'],
columns=['one', 'two', 'three', 'four'])
         data
In [ ]: data['two']
In [ ]: data[['three', 'one']]
In [ ]: data[:2]
In [ ]: data['three'] > 5
In [ ]: data[data['three'] > 5].loc['Utah', :]
In [ ]:
         data.two = data.two.drop(['Colorado', 'Utah'])
In [ ]: data < 5
In [ ]: data[data < 5] = 0</pre>
In [ ]: data
```

```
In [ ]: data.loc['Colorado', ['two', 'three']]
In [ ]: data.ix[['Colorado', 'Utah'], [3, 0, 1]]
In [ ]: data.iloc[2]
In [ ]: data.loc[:'Utah', 'two']
In [ ]: data.ix[data.three > 5, :3]
```

## Arithmatic and data alignment

- Arithmatic operations between tables will be performed on elements on the same row and same column
- If could not align, NaN value will be returned, unless fill\_value is specified

#### Arithmetic methods with fill values

• Here one has to use functions instead of operators like +, \*

#### **Operations between DataFrame and Series**

- A Series can be treated as a row or a column, depending on the index
- If used to represent a rwo, the index of the series must be aligned by name with the DataFrame's columns, otherwise, NaN value will be generated

## **Function application and mapping**

- Elementwise NumPy ufuncs (log, exp, sqrt, ...) and various other NumPy functions can be used with no issues on DataFrame, assuming the data within are numeric
- Can also use data frame's apply(), applymap(), and map() functions

```
In [ ]: frame.apply(f, axis=1)
In [ ]: def f(x):
    return Series([x.min(), x.max()], index=['min', 'max'])
    frame.apply(f)

In [ ]: # Define a lambda function to format data to have 2 precision digits
    format = lambda x: '%.2f' % x
    frame.applymap(format)
In [ ]: frame['e'].map(format)
```

## **Sorting and Ranking**

- Use sort\_index to order rows by row index, or by column names (with axis=1)
- Can use sort\_value and select with column to sort by
- The rank of a value is its position (from 1 to n) in a sorted list

The rank of a value is its position from 1 to n in the sorted order. Equal values are assigned a rank based on method:

- 1. average: average rank of group
- 2. min: lowest rank in group
- 3. max: highest rank in group
- 4. first: ranks assigned in order they appear in the array
- 5. dense: like 'min', but rank always increases by 1 between groups

## Axis indexes with duplicate values

• The row index may contain dulicate values

```
In [ ]: obj = Series(range(5), index=['a', 'a', 'b', 'b', 'c'])
obj
In [ ]: obj.index.is_unique
In [ ]: obj['a']
In [ ]: obj['c']
In [ ]: df = DataFrame(np.random.randn(4, 3), index=['a', 'a', 'b', 'b'])
df
In [ ]: df.loc['b']
```

# Summarizing and computing descriptive statistics

- Can use DataFrame provided funcitons, such as, count(), mean(), sum(), etc.
- Use axis=1 to change to statistics for rows
- Can specify how to handle NaN values
- Use describe() function to get a comprehensive result

```
In [ ]: df.idxmax()
In [ ]: df.cumsum()
In [ ]: df.describe()
In [ ]: obj = Series(['a', 'a', 'b', 'c'] * 4)
obj.describe()
```

## Unique values, value counts, and membership

```
In [ ]: obj = Series(['c', 'a', 'd', 'a', 'a', 'b', 'b', 'c', 'c'])
In [ ]: | uniques = obj.unique()
        uniques
In [ ]: obj.value_counts()
In [ ]: pd.value_counts(obj.values, sort=False)
In [ ]: # Test values for membership in a set
        mask = obj.isin(['b', 'c'])
        mask
In [ ]: # Retrieve values that are members of a set
        obj[mask]
In [ ]: data = DataFrame({'Qu1': [1, 3, 4, 3, 4],
                           'Qu2': [2, 3, 1, 2, 3],
                           'Qu3': [1, 5, 2, 4, 4]})
        data
In [ ]: # count each value for each column
        result = data.apply(pd.value_counts).fillna(0)
        result
```

## **Correlation and covariance**

- Use cov() and corr() functions to obtain these statistics on columns
- Use corrwith() function to compare columns from different DataFrame objects
- More will come late when we review Statistics

```
In [ ]: frame = pd.DataFrame(np.random.randn(1000, 5), columns=['a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e'])
frame
In [ ]: # for each column, compute (value(t)-value(t-k))/value(t-k)
frame.pct_change(periods=3)
In [ ]: frame.cov()
```

## Handling missing data

- · Missing values can be represented by
  - NaN or np.nan for numbers
  - None for other type of object
- Function isnull() can detect null (or missing) values
- Null values can be removed by dropna() function or replaced by fillna() function
  - Different method can be used to determine the fill\_value

```
In [ ]: string_data = Series(['aardvark', 'artichoke', np.nan, 'avocado'])
In [ ]: string_data.isnull()
In [ ]: string_data[0] = None
    print(string_data)
    string_data.isnull()
```

## Filtering out missing data

```
In []: # remove any row with a null value
    data.dropna()

In []: # remove rows that contain only null values
    data.dropna(how='all')

In []: # add a new column of null values
    data[4] = NA
    data

In []: # remove columns with only null values
    data.dropna(axis=1, how='all')

In []: df = DataFrame(np.random.randn(7, 3))
    df.iloc[:4, 1] = NA; df.iloc[:2, 2] = NA
    df

In []: # get rows with at least 3 non-null values
    df.dropna(thresh=3)
```

## Filling in missing data

# Hierarchical indexing

The row index can have multiple columns.

- Each row is then identified by a tuple, such as (a, 2)
- More flexible than a single level index
- The index levels can be changed, reordered, stack/unstack, etc.

```
In [ ]: data = Series(np.random.randn(10),
                        index=[['a', 'a', 'a', 'b', 'b', 'c', 'c', 'd', 'd'],
                               [1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 2, 3]])
         data
In [ ]: data.index
In [ ]: data['b']
In [ ]: data['b':'c']
In [ ]: | data.loc[['b', 'd']]
In [ ]: data[:, 2]
In [ ]: data.unstack()
In [ ]: data.unstack().stack()
In [ ]: frame = DataFrame(np.arange(12).reshape((4, 3)),
                            index=[['a', 'a', 'b', 'b'], [1, 2, 1, 2]],
columns=[['Ohio', 'Ohio', 'Colorado'],
                                      ['Green', 'Red', 'Green']])
         frame
In [ ]: frame.index.names = ['key1', 'key2']
         frame.columns.names = ['state', 'color']
In [ ]: frame['Ohio']
```

MultiIndex.from\_arrays([['Ohio', 'Ohio', 'Colorado'], ['Green', 'Red', 'Green']], names=['state', 'color'])

## Reordering and sorting levels

```
In [ ]: frame.swaplevel('key1', 'key2')
In [ ]: frame.sort_index(level=1)
In [ ]: frame.swaplevel(0, 1).sort_index(level=0)
```

## Summary statistics by level

```
In [ ]: frame.sum(level='key2')
In [ ]: frame.sum(level='color', axis=1)
```

## Using a DataFrame's columns to build hierarchical index

# Other pandas topics

## Integer indexing

```
In []: ser = Series(np.arange(3.))
    ser.iloc[-1]

In []: ser

In []: ser2 = Series(np.arange(3.), index=['a', 'b', 'c'])
    ser2[-1]

In []: ser.iloc[:1]

In []: ser3 = Series(range(3), index=[-5, 1, 3])
    ser3.iloc[2]

In []: frame = DataFrame(np.arange(6).reshape((3, 2)), index=[2, 0, 1])
    frame.iloc[0]
```

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